

REMARKS

The Office Action set forth a restriction requirement requiring the applicant to elect from one of the following two groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 21-40

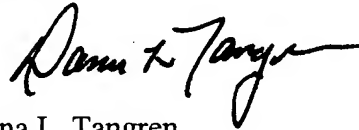
Group II: Claims 41-51

Applicant hereby elects without traverse Group I comprising claims 21-40. As such, applicant has herein cancelled claims 41-51. Applicant preserves the right to file such claims in a divisional application.

In view of the forgoing, claims 21-40 are presented for the Examiner's consideration on the merits. Should the Examiner find any impediment to allowance of the claims which could be clarified in a telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate such with the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of September 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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